

the committee man shall direct, by endorsement on the back of his warrant, to appear before the said committee at the next succeeding meeting; and in case such suspected person shall not give such security, the officer shall commit him. And when such suspected person shall appear, or be brought before the committee, they shall examine into the proofs and allegations; and if it shall appear to them that such suspicion is well founded, they shall order that he give security to answer whatever claim or claims may be made appear against him, or stand further committed. And where any person shall have actually absconded out of this Colony, or so conceals himself, or makes resistance, that he cannot be brought before the committee, and the same shall be made appear by affidavit to the satisfaction of one or more committee men, such committee man shall issue a warrant to some sufficient person, not being interested, to take possession of all, or so much of the effects of such absconding person, as shall be sufficient to satisfy the demands of any creditor or creditors who shall apply and make oath of such demands; provided that the said effects shall not be subject to be sold, or otherwise disposed of, until judgment shall be obtained in some court of justice hereafter to be established.

*In committee of Secrecy, War and Correspondence.*

*Resolved,* That it be recommended to the Congress to allow Mrs. Ealbeck the sum of 5 l. for the use of a room, candles, fire, &c. for this committee.

The House concurred therewith.

*Resolved,* That the following persons be discharged from their further attendance on Congress, to wit: Hugh McDonald, John McDonald, Daniel Cameron, James McDonald and Daniel McLean.

Whereas it has been thought necessary to fit out three armed vessels, for the protection of the trade of this Province, *Resolved,* That the following sums be paid the officers and seamen employed on board the said vessels by the month, to wit: Captain 10 l. wages, and 4 l. for table, Lieutenant 8 l. Master 8 l. Mate 5 l. 15 s. Doctor 8 l. Boatswain 5 l. Gunner 5 l. Carpenter 5 l. Clerk 5 l. Armourer 4 l. 10 s. Cooper 4 l. 10 l. Captain of Marines 8 l. Marines 2 l. 13 s. 4 d. Seamen compleat 4 l. Seamen not compleat 3 l. That all other officers on board vessels of equal force and burthen, the same regulations and pay as by Continental establishment.

*Resolved,* That the following persons be appointed Paymasters to the militia, viz. Mr. William Green for the district of Halifax, Mr. Matthew Lock for the district of Salisbury, Mr. James Council for the district of Wilmington, Mr. Thomas Burke for the district of Hillsborough, Mr. William Blount for the district of Newbern, and Mr. Day Ridley for the district of Edenton.

*Resolved,* That the Paymasters of the militia of this Colony give bond with security, each in the sum of 10,000 l. for the faithful application of money intrusted to them.

*Resolved,* That every householder in the county of Surry shall have a right to sit and vote in committees for said county, they being elected by persons having a right to vote, agreeable to a resolve of the last Congress at Hillsborough.

*Resolved,* That Thomas Mander be discharged from his parole.

*Resolved,* That Thomas Eaton, Esq. be appointed Colonel of the militia for the county of Bute, in the room of Philemon Hawkins, jun. resigned.